

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: Catherine Lofton-Day et al.  
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PROLIFERATIVE DISORDERS

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND  
PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Madam:

This is a Response and Preliminary Amendment in reply to a Restriction Requirement dated 16 November 2009 for the above-identified patent application. Please extend the time for response three months, up to and including 16 March 2010. The requisite fee is submitted herewith.

Prior to examination on the merits, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows  
(Remarks begin at page 7 of this Response):